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England in the Midst of a Tempest.

The uprising of the women of England and their insistent demand to be given the ballot will provoke more serious trouble in England than has already occurred. The English parliament appears to lack the capacity to deal properly with this question. The suffragettes are resorting to methods that must bring the blush of shame to every decent civilized woman. Their treatment of their king and queen is outrageous. Their indecent conduct will result in a loss of sympathy in America for their cause and the cause of female suffrage everywhere.

Another serious condition that confronts the entire United Kingdom is the matter of home rule for Ireland. But few people appear to understand the situation. Were it not for the seriousness of the situation it would be amusing to read some of the discussions through the press on this question. For the information of some of our readers we wish to state the following facts:

More than 800 years ago, during the reign of Henry II of England, when conditions in Ireland were somewhat similar to conditions among the Indians in America at the time of the discovery by Columbus, occurred the conquest of Ireland.

Ireland is an island—one of the British Isles—forming a part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. It is divided into four provinces—Ulster, Leinster, Munster and Connaught. In area it is but a little larger than South Carolina, but has about three times South Carolina's population. The Irish are distinctively and emphatically Roman Catholics. The English and Scotch are mainly Protestants. The attempt of the English government near the close of the 16th century to introduce the Reformed faith and English institutions met with stubborn and determined opposition on the part of the Irish and stirred up great dissension in Ireland. A revolt on the part of the Irish chief, particularly those in Munster and Ulster, led to the confiscation of their lands, the King and parliament giving much of the lands to English settlers in Munster, and Scotch and English settlers in Ulster. After passing through various vicissitudes, Ireland, on Jan. 1, 1801, was united with Great Britain as an integral part of it and its policies of state have been dominated by English influence. The sympathies of the Pope of Rome and the entire Roman Catholic church have been with the Irish and against England. The situation at this time appears to be severely acute. The Ulsterites appear to be the most intelligent, courageous and influential people in Ireland.

The passage by parliament of the bill as originally framed, is an impossibility. It would place the Ulsterites in practically the same situation occupied by the white people of South Carolina from 1869 to 1876, and would result in a bloody revolution, the end of which no one can predict. Many of the leading statesmen and clergymen, and some of the most influential people of all classes in England, sympathize openly with the Ulsterites. Some of the foremost generals in the English army, including Lord Roberts, will resign their com-

missions rather than take up arms to enforce the law if passed. The sympathies of Protestants in America are with the Ulsterites. The people of Ulster will rebel against their government rather than submit. No one can tell what will be the outcome. May God save dear old England and bring her safely through this crisis. And we join with the English people in saying, God save the King.

Since writing the foregoing we see that a compromise measure has been passed excluding Ulster from the provisions of the bill, but that does not give satisfaction.

Thou Shalt Not Steal.

In our issue of May 2nd we editorially referred to The Mutual Relief and Benevolent Association in deservedly commendatory terms. We observe that one of our contemporaries had the "cheek" to appropriate our article in its entirety except that it inserted its name in place of ours. We regard that as quite a compliment to us. Our esteemed has not yet made amends or even stated that it failed to place around the article the required quotation marks.

As the little write-up was said to be even stronger than the advertisement inserted by our esteemed, for which it has already been paid, we expect our esteemed to publicly give us the credit or its check for half of the cash. Esteemed, there must be a "Rainy" day before you can go "Scott free."

Congressman Lever has been putting in some good work at Washington, quite in contrast to Congressman Ragsdale, who appears to be no bigger than a peanut politician. The Smith-Lever Bill has been accepted by the House, and, on signature of President Wilson, became a law. Senator Hoke Smith took opportunity to manifest his Negro-baiting spirit in the discussion, and succeeded in having the Bill as passed so formed as to prevent the Negro from having a just and proper recognition in this measure. But let us wait and bide our time. Right will eventually win. "Fret not thyself because of evil doers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity."

PROGRAM of meeting of Missionary Society to be held at Second Calvary Baptist church Sunday evening, June 7, 1914, at 8:30 o'clock. Mrs. A. P. Dunbar, mistress of ceremonies:

- 1 Music Choir
 - 2 Prayer, Mrs. Frances McMaster.
 - 3 Music Choir.
 - 4 Scripture Reading, Miss Delphine A. Bradley.
 - 5 Solo, Miss Marie Forrest.
 - 6 Paper, Miss Esthler Johnson
 - 7 Solo, Miss Margaret Rhodes.
 - 8 Select Reading, Miss J. O. Poinsette.
 - 9 Solo, Mrs. J. B. Lewie.
 - 10 Recitation, Mrs. J. A. Roach.
 - 11 Duet, Misses Jennie Prayer and Elizabeth Smith.
 - 12 Paper, Mrs. Edward Asman.
 - 13 Solo, Mrs. J. J. Durham.
 - 14 Select Reading, Miss S. B. Henderson.
 - 15 Violin Solo, Organ Accompaniment, Misses C. B. Singleton and Arabella Howard.
 - 16 Paper, Mrs. Julia Hart.
 - 17 Solo, Miss Isabella Lark.
 - 18 Recitation, Miss Hattie Adams.
 - 19 Address, Mrs. M. E. Bright.
 - 20 Pantomime, The Holy City. Mrs. E. M. Levy, soloist.
 - 21 Collection.
 - 22 Music Choir.
 - 23 Benediction, Dr. J. J. Durham.
- Mrs. A. P. Dunbar, president. Mrs. J. A. Roach, V. president. Mrs. Edward Asman, secretary. Ushers: Evelyn Johnson, Marie Forrest, Daisy Roach, Elizabeth Smith.

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be allowed to add) if their very looks and bearing, meant anything at all, the benefit these students derived from the training herein given, cannot be told by human tongue. The great results thus obtained have not only justified the sacrifices they underwent to remain here two, three, and four months at a session for about as many years, but also demonstrated beyond the slightest question the wisdom of this "Ministerial Department."

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